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Industry Engagement & Outreach

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ABF Goal Statement

 Goal: Enable biorefineries to achieve 50% reductions in time to bioprocess scale-up as compared to the current average of around 10 years by establishing a distributed Agile BioFoundry that will productionize synthetic biology.



 Outcomes: 10X improvement in Design-Build-Test-Learn cycle efficiency, new host organisms, new IP, and manufacturing technologies effectively translated to U.S. industry ensuring market transformation.



 Relevance: Public infrastructure investment that increases U.S. industrial competitiveness and enables new opportunities for private sector growth and jobs.





Industry Engagement and Outreach (IEO) Goal Statement

Goal

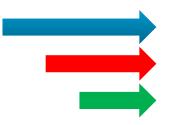
- Identify and help remove barriers to industry adoption of biomanufacturing technologies
- Expand number and diversity of industry partnerships
- Maintain metrics for determining impact of project technologies on industry
- Increase the visibility of the ABF

Outcome

- Interactions between industry and the ABF will be established, organized, and facilitated
- Feedback from the industry stakeholder community to the ABF and BETO will support decision-making and project-planning activities

Relevance

 IEO will enable the ABF to serve the needs of, and be responsive to, the industrial biotech industry











Quad Chart Overview

Timeline

- October 1, 2016
- September 30, 2019
- 83% complete

	Total Costs Pre FY17	FY 17 Costs	FY 18 Costs	Total Planned Funding (FY 19- Project End Date)
DOE Funded		116,948	278,384	469,654

Partners: LBNL (13%); NREL (17%); PNNL (0%); SNL (0%); LANL (34%); ORNL (2%); ANL (31%); INL (3%)

Barriers addressed

- At-D. Identifying New Market Opportunities for Bioenergy and Bioproducts
- At-G. Social Acceptance and Stakeholder Involvement
- Ct-L. Decreasing Development Time for Industrially Relevant Microorganisms
- ADO-D. Technology Uncertainty of Integration and Scaling

Objective

Increase the visibility of the ABF and attract collaborators from academic and industrial communities

End of Project Goals

- Submit three reports on industry needs through interview and survey activities
- Manage dynamic relationship with IAB
- Organize yearly ABF Industry Days
- Coordinate at least one panel per year at a major society meeting





1 – Project Overview

History: Task initiated at the inception of the Agile BioFoundry

- Efforts delocalized in first year
- Activities refocused and expanded in second and third years with increased budget

Context: To fulfill Foundry's mission, needs of industry need to be known and Foundry efforts need to be visible

- Tremendous opportunity to learn how to increase success rate of infant biomanufacturing industry
- Foundry succeeds only as industry is engaged and adopts resulting technologies

Project goals: Contribute significantly to the synthetic biology revolution

- Generate reports on industry needs (via interviews and surveys)
- Provide feedback from industry stakeholders to inform ABF R&D
- Organize yearly ABF Industry Days
- Facilitate transfer of ABF tools and technology to industry





2 – IEO Approach (management)

Outreach

Lead: Babs Marrone
Manage the ABF public
profile and dissemination
of engagement information
to stakeholders.

Interactions

Lead: Phil Laible
Coordinate communitybuilding activities and
facilitate involvement of
the IAB.

Assessment

Lead: Chris Johnson
Understand the needs of the
biomanufacturing industry by
interviewing and surveying
its members.

Report to ABF management and BETO

Team coordination and ABF integration

- Collaborative approach with leads focusing on strategic areas
- Biweekly internal calls
- Monthly calls with ABF management and BETO
- Coordination of outreach materials with Foundry members
- Involvement of Task leads in Industry Days & IAB interactions
- Submission of annual interview reports to ABF and BETO





2 – IEO Approach (technical)

Outreach

- Fact Sheet: Active distribution
- Website: Main source of visibility to industry
- IP FAQ sheet: Facilitates industrial interactions
- Social media: Presence expanding

Interactions

- IAB Meetings: Quarterly
- Conferences: As many as relevant and possible
- Industry Day: Annually



BIO World Congress

Assessment

- Energy I-Corps Approach
- Interviews: 25+ yearly
- Surveys: Effort expanding



SIMB Annual Meeting





3 – Technical Accomplishments/ Progress/Results

Potential Challenges

- Dependent upon interactions with biotech industry
 - Mitigation: Over-request input or interactions
 (e.g., for 20 useful interviews, request 100; interview the 25 that respond).
- Need clear, effective messaging of ABF value proposition
- Difficult to convey pre-competitive R&D message
 - Engage in efforts that the industry could not pursue on its own
 - Not working in competitive space

Critical Success Factors

Rapid identification of relevant industry communities and members

 Balance needs of start-ups with those of large, established companies

- Quorums at IAB meetings
- Attendance at Industry Days
- · Ability to attract visitors to website







3 – Technical Accomplishments/ Progress/Results – Cont. Assessment: One-on-One Interviews

- Interviews are conducted each year
 - 25 or more each year
 - diverse industrial biotechnology stakeholders—scientists, executives, investors, etc.
 - representing companies and organizations that are diverse with respect to size, geography, product(s), and business model
- Energy-I-Corps approach utilized
 - and guided by a set of questions developed with the ABF management team and BETO
 - 30-60 minutes long; short ABF briefing used to introduce the interview
 - Part of continuous effort to refine the unique ABF value proposition
- Identities and responses not shared outside ABF
 - ensures privacy
 - encourages candidacy
 - promotes honest feedback







3 – Technical Accomplishments/ Progress/Results – Cont.

Assessment: Key Learnings from one-on-one interviews

• The mission and goals of the ABF were viewed favorably

"ABF provides companies with technology and expertise that companies can test drive. There's value in de-risking technologies and improving the DBTL cycle." – Zachary Sun, SynvitroBio

- Interest in learning how companies can work with the Foundry is growing
- Providing cost share, even in-kind support, is a frequent concern, especially for smaller, less established companies
- Could benefit from making it easier to engage and work with industry
 - clearly communicate capabilities
 - facilitate streamlined partnership agreements
 - define IP treatment in Industry-Foundry partnerships
- Provide information related to Foundry organisms publicly
- Investigate a fee-for-service model for larger companies







3 - Technical Accomplishments/ Progress/Results - Cont.

Interactions: Industry Advisory Board

Assembled diverse IAB

- Area of specialization
- Age/size of company
- Location of operation
- Gender

Established charter in FY18

- Expresses expectations and governs operations
- Operate without NDAs with IAB members or firms

Collected/reported feedback

- Approach
- **Operations**
- Milestone achievements
- Target/host selection process
- Outreach activities
- Overall impact

Companies represented in FY19 roster

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3 – Technical Accomplishments/ Progress/Results – Cont. Interactions: Meetings and conferences

- Encourage presentations at national meetings
 - Grass roots infiltration of symposia and sessions at major meetings and national conferences
- Organize panels and sessions that highlight Foundry successes and missions
 - One example: In planning stage for SIMB 2019 (Washington, D.C.)
 - Co-convening panel session: Federal Perspective on Biomanufacturing R&D
 - Assemble representatives from agencies funding this area
 - Realize goal of understanding the differentiation, challenges, and future opportunities of the agencies while highlighting ABF work and progress
- Plan ABF Industry Day(s)
 - Find opportunities, seek attendees, and develop agendas





3 – Technical Accomplishments/ Progress/Results – Cont.

Outreach Activities

- Report timely news and events related to ABF successes
- Amplify relevant announcements (funding opportunities, press releases, etc.) from BETO, DOE, or ABF member labs
- "Advertise" the ABF to attract new visitors to the ABF website, and potential collaborators/partners in industry and academia
- Participate in an active online community focused on advancement of synthetic biology technology and applications, through original postings and re-tweets
- In conjunction with ABF LinkedIn site, amplify ABF-related job opportunities





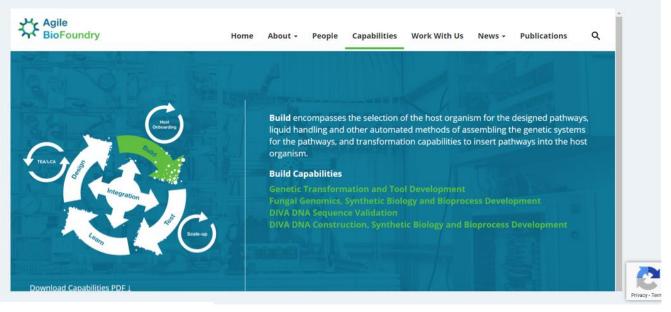




3 – Technical Accomplishments/ Progress/Results – Cont. Outreach Activities: ABF Website



consortium and to that end, outlines the unique skills, experience, and capabilities that the team brings to the areas of synthetic biology and biomanufacturing. The new capabilities page is the main material upgrade from the original site, and identifies and describes what the ABF offers to potential project partners in key research areas.

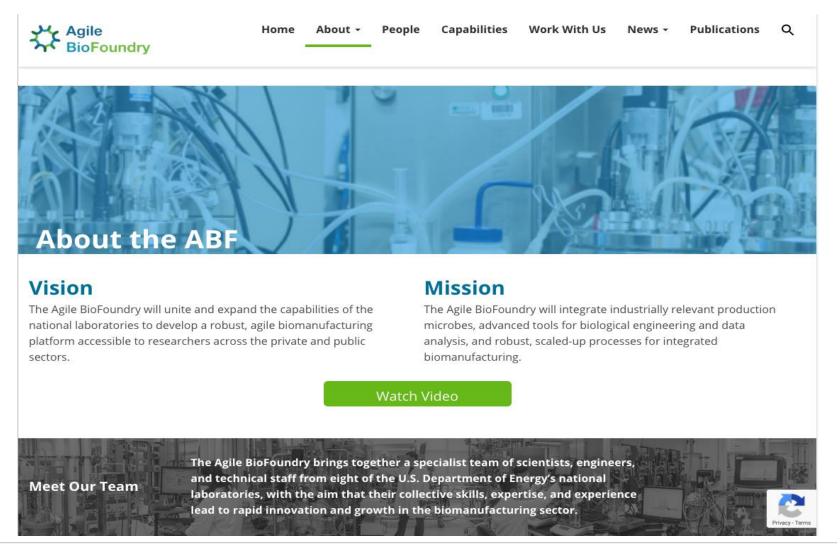


https://agilebiofoundry.org/





3 – Technical Accomplishments/ Progress/Results – Cont. **Outreach Activities: ABF Website**







3 – Technical Accomplishments/ Progress/Results – Cont. **Outreach Activities: ABF Website**

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Collaborative Research and Development Agreements and Strategic Partnership Programs

Collaborative Research and Development Agreements (CRADAs) and Strategic Partnership Programs (SPPs) are mechanisms under which the ABF can work together with Industry.

SPPs tend to be smaller engagements and often involve the ABF performing a single unit operation (e.g., targeted proteomics analysis) for the Industrial Partner. SPPs may be very attractive to Industry, as the Industrial Partner retains all intellectual property (IP) rights derived from the work performed. CRADAs tend to be larger engagements involving the ABF performing multiple unit operations in collaboration with the Industrial Partner (which may embed its staff at ABF facilities while pursuing the scope of the project's work).

Under CRADAs, IP ownership follows inventorship, with the Industrial Partner generally having an option to negotiate an exclusive license to ABF (co-)invented IP in specific field(s) of use. There may be certain other restrictions placed on CRADAs and SPPs, for example the scope of the project's work must only include domain expertise and capabilities exclusively/uniquely available from the ABF national labs (i.e., are not otherwise commercially available), and developed processes/products that are derivative of the work performed may need to be first substantially implemented/manufactured in the United States.

The Agile Biofoundry CRADA will be used for all ABF projects, and if the project is receiving DOE-funding, this CRADA is non-negotiable. The ABF projects where there is one non-DOE lab party, although there may be any number of DOE labs.

Active Collaborations







4 - Relevance

 The ABF aims to develop infrastructure to support industrial biotechnology

- Understanding the needs of the industry is critical to achieving this aim
- Industry Engagement and Outreach addresses this aim directly and proactively
 - Establish, organize, and facilitate interactions with industry
 - Elicit feedback from industry and communicate that to the ABF and BETO







4 – Relevance to BETO Goals

The Industry Engagement and Outreach task helps to convey the results of the BioFoundry activities "to a wide audience, including DOE Management, the U.S. Congress, the White House, industry, other researchers, other agencies, and the public".

ABF IEO activities:

inform ABF and BETO strategic directions

 identify potential new market opportunities for value-added bioproducts

 facilitate successful transfer of innovative ABF technologies to the private sector

 inform and involve stakeholder communities using a combination of innovative and established communication approaches





5 – Future Work

Plans for FY19 and Beyond

- Continue with interviews, questionnaires and surveys
 - May have different foci and be somewhat dynamic regarding content as Foundry matures
- Organize strategic planning exercise for the ABF
 - Strength, Weakness, Opportunity, Threat analysis (SWOT)
 - Internal and external factors
- Refine and expand interactions with IAB
 - Increase diversity
- Establish social media presence
 - Use platforms like Twitter and LinkedIn for publicity
 - Amplify news and accomplishments of ABF members
- Organization of panels at national/international scientific meetings.
 - SIMB 2019 Washington D.C.: Federal perspective on biomanufacturing R&D
 - SIMB 2020 San Francisco: Panel on industry trends, R&D needs





Summary

Overview

Facilitate transfer of ABF tools and technology to industry

Approach

- focus on assessment, interactions, and outreach
- continually conduct interviews and surveys, provide feedback from industry stakeholders to inform ABF R&D, and participate in active online community

Technical accomplishments

- submitted yearly reports on findings from interviews and surveys
- conducted regular meetings with IAB
- organized Industry Days and advertised the ABF on website and fact sheets

Relevance

provide feedback supporting project-planning and decision-making activities

Future work

- coordinate strategic planning exercise
- continue interviews and surveys
- plan panels and sessions at national meetings







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Additional Slides





Responses to Previous Reviewers' Comments

- Weaknesses include geographic separation
 - As a distributed effort, we clearly have faced operational challenges, although these have more than been made up for by the Agile BioFoundry's ability to leverage physical and human resources across distributed national laboratories. The Agile BioFoundry's program manager, together with regular communications across the consortium (via teleconferences, webinars, informatics servers, SharePoint, annual in-person meetings), have helped mitigate communications risks. Sample transfer risks (i.e., sample stability, sample loss) will continue to be assessed through local/proximal compared with remote sample analysis, and to date we have not suffered from any notable sample losses. We are continuing to make progress in addressing disconnects in technology adoption, and it continues to be an operational imperative to standardize workflows and data-exchange formats wherever possible.
- Do not yet have a compelling argument as to why and how their approach will be better than other potential approaches to the problem
 - What sets the Agile BioFoundry apart from other foundries is that we develop and distribute publicly available tools, methods, and strains aimed at broadly benefiting the biofuels and bioproducts industry. Whereas private foundries are incentivized to develop proprietary tools and organisms, the Agile BioFoundry is a publicly funded effort aimed at delivering technology that will enable industry to either leverage our resources through partnership or adopt our methodologies for developing bioproducts. In comparison to the publicly funded Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency Living Foundries program, there are distinct programmatic and technical differences between the aims of the two efforts. Where the Living Foundries program is primarily focused on developing biological pathways to materials that cannot be achieved through transformations of petroleum feedstocks, the Agile BioFoundry is focused developing biological pathways for producing advanced biofuels and renewable, high-volume chemicals.





Responses to Previous Reviewers' Comments (cont.)

- Rationale for their choice of product targets needs to be strengthened
 - The Agile BioFoundry is pursuing multiple target/hosts to demonstrate that the methods, software, and technologies can be productively applied across product classes. The process and rationale for selecting the three target/hosts pairs for FY 2017 (and the 15 pairs for initially prioritized for FY 2017 FY 2019) was described during the 2017 Peer Review, and the details were provided to BETO. For our FY 2018 and FY 2019 target/host selection processes, in addition to quantitative technical assessments across multiple categories (TEA and Market, LCA, Strategic Value, Scientific Novelty, DOE Relevance, How Designable, How Buildable, How Hostable, How Testable, How Scalable, and Chemical and Biological Safety), we proactively consulted with the Agile BioFoundry Industry Advisory Board to ensure that our prioritized targets and hosts remain aligned with industry's needs.
- Isn't clear that reducing the cycle time to, say, adipic acid, would be generally applicable to other material
 - As will be / has been presented in the Target/Host ABF presentations at the 2019 Peer Review, we have started to diligently measure cycle times across targets and hosts. This is the pre-requisite step to measuring improvements in (i.e., reductions to) cycle time. It should be noted that we are now pursuing multiple targets in the same host (which could suggest how cycle times for the second target have benefitted from improvements for the first target) and the same target in multiple hosts (which could suggest how cycle times in the second host have benefitted from improvements for the first host). While the former is more directly relevant for this previous reviewer's comment, both are important to capture and understand as they both directly affect the Agile BioFoundry's ability to broadly accelerate biomanufacturing process development across targets and hosts.





Responses to Previous Reviewers' Comments (cont.)

- More emphasis should be placed on the performance gap between small-scale culturing and bench-scale fermentation, which is a well-known problem in the field
 - We recognize that there are challenges associated with each increase in process scale, including the transition from high-throughput, small-scale culturing to bench-scale fermentation. Agile BioFoundry workflows leverage design of experiments and small-scale culture to select strains to grow in bench-scale bioreactors. Bench-scale fermentation provides critical data for the "Learn" component of Design-Build-Test-Learn, both to inform future designs and to develop predictive models that may be applied to small-scale experiments. Agile BioFoundry facilities have recently procured Robo/Biolector(Pro) and Ambr250 instrumentation which both serve to bridge the gap between small-scale culturing and bench-scale fermentation.
- PI is encouraged to look deeply into high-throughput fermentation techniques mastered by enzymes and biobased chemicals and fuels companies
 - As mentioned above, towards adopting the techniques practiced and mastered by companies, Agile BioFoundry facilities have recently procured Robo/Biolector(Pro) and Ambr250 high-throughput fermentation instrumentation.
- Encourage the PI to form a strong liaison between fermentation and the highthroughput team
 - There are strong connections between Agile BioFoundry high-throughput and bio-reactor fermentation teams, with staff shared in common between them.





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- Hillson, N.J. "Agile BioFoundry Overview". Invited Talk, Cargill visit to ESE, Emeryville, CA, November 17, 2017
- Hillson, N.J. "Flanking Homology DNA Assembly, Protocol Design Software, and Synthetic DNA". Invited Talk, Bitesize Bio Webinar, November 15, 2017
- Simmons, B.A. and Hillson, N.J. "The BioDefense Foundry". Invited Talk, DTRA Tech Watch Briefing, Springfield, VA, November 8, 2017
- Hillson, N.J. "Agile BioFoundry Overview". Invited Talk, University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY, November 3, 2017
- Hillson, N.J. "Parallel Integration and Chromosomal Expansion of Metabolic Pathways". Invited Talk, University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY, November 3, 2017
- Hillson, N.J. "Agile BioFoundry Overview". Invited Talk, Braskem Zoom Teleconference, November 1, 2017
- Hector Garcia Martin. "Modeling of -omics data for Biofuel Production through Synthetic Biology". EECE Department seminar, Washington University, St. Louis MO, October 20th, 2017
- Hillson, N.J. "Agile BioFoundry Overview". Invited Talk, ABLC Next Tour of ESE (ABF/ABPDU/JBEI), Emerville, CA, October 16, 2017
- Hillson, N.J. "Agile BioFoundry Overview". Invited Talk, Berkeley Lab Workshop: Industrialization of engineering biology: from discovery to scale-up, SynBioBeta SF 2017, UCSF Mission Bay, San Francisco, CA, October 3, 2017
- Hillson, N.J. "How the Agile BioFoundry Thinks About Paths to Commercialization". Invited Talk, SynBio for Defense, Arlington, VA, September 27, 2017
- Hillson, N.J. "BioDefense the Agile BioFoundry and Predictive Biology". Invited Talk, Presentation for Dimitri Kusnezov (Chief Scientist, DOE NNSA), Berkeley, CA, September 21, 2017
- Hillson, N.J. "Sustainable development through a synthetic biology foundry". Invited Talk, CellPress LabLinks Basic to Applied Science for Sustainable Development, Berkeley, CA, September 18, 2017
- Plahar, H.A. "Software Session: Recent DeviceEditorjs/DIVA/ICE improvements". Invited Talk, JBEI Annual Meeting, Monterey, CA, September 15, 2017
- Costello, Z. "Software Session: The Automatic Recommendation Tool". Invited Talk, JBEI Annual Meeting, Monterey, CA, September 15, 2017
- Backman, T.W.H. "ClusterCAD: a computational platform for type I modular polyketide synthase design." Invited Talk, JBEI Annual Meeting, Monterey, CA, September 14, 2017
- Hillson, N.J. "Agile BioFoundry Update". Invited Talk, JBEI Annual Meeting, Monterey, CA, September 13, 2017
- Plahar, H.A. "ICE/DIVA Software Tutorial". Invited Talk, Agile BioFoundry Annual Meeting, NREL IBRF, Golden, CO, August 29, 2017
- Hillson, N.J. "Agile BioFoundry Overview". Invited Talk, Agile BioFoundry Annual Meeting, NREL IBRF, Golden, CO, August 28, 2017
- De Paoli, H.C. "A. pseudoterreus 3HP Design and Build". Invited Talk, Agile BioFoundry Annual Meeting, NREL IBRF, Golden, CO, August 28, 2017.
- Chiniquy J., "DIVA DNA-Seq Service". Invited Talk, Agile BioFoundry Annual Meeting, NREL IBRF, Golden, CO, August 28, 2017





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- Garcia Martin, H. "Predicting Metabolic Pathway Dynamics by Combining Multiomics Data with Machine Learning and Kinetic Modeling". Invited talk at "Multi-omics for Microbiomes" conference, Pasco, WA, July 31, 2017.
- Johnson, C.W. "Metabolic engineering of Pseudomonas putida KT2440 for production of muconic acid from sugar", SIMB Annual Meeting, July 31, 2017
- Hillson, N.J. "j5 Software Through the Years: Insights from Aggregate Public Usage Metrics". Invited lightning talk, World Metrology Day Symposium, Stanford, CA, May 22, 2017.
- Beckham, G.T. "The Agile BioFoundry: Investing in Biomanufacturing Infrastructure", TechConnect World, May 16, 2017
- Derek Vardon. Potential commercialization opportunities for valorization of biomass to polymer precursors. Invited Seminar. Alliance Commercialization and Deployment Committee Meeting, NREL. May 2017.
- Gregg Beckham. The Agile BioFoundry: Investing in Biomanufacturing Infrastructure, TechConnect World, May 16, 2017
- Hillson, N.J. "Overview of the Agile BioFoundry". Invited talk, IMP (Mexican Petroleum Institute) Visit to JBEI, Emergville, CA, April 21, 2017.

Posters

- J. Meadows, C. Johnson, S. Notonier, YM. Kim, S.Tripathy, K. Burnam-Johnson, M. Burnet, J. Magnuson, G. Beckham, N. Hillson, J. Gladden. "Engineering Pseudomonas putida KT2440 to produce adipic acid from lignocellulosic components". Invited Poster, ABF All Hands Annual Meeting 2018, Emeryville, CA, September 10, 2018
- Jesus F. Barajas, Jingwei Zhang, Amin Zargar, Bo Pang, Huaxiang Deng, Veronica T. Benites, Edward E. K. Baidoo, Christopher J. Petzold, Nathan J. Hillson, Jay D. Keasling. "Development of Valerolactam and Caprolactam Biosynthetic Routes". Invited Poster, ABF All Hands Annual Meeting 2018, Emeryville, CA, September 10, 2018
- Garima Goyal, Nurgul Kaplan, Jennifer L. Chiniquy, Jonathan Diab, Joel M. Guenther, Hector A. Plahar, Joanna Chen, Manjiri Tapaswi, Nina Stawski, Lisa Simirenko, Samuel Deutsch, and Nathan J. Hillson. "DIVA (Design Implementation Validation Automation) DNA Construction". Invited Poster, ABF All Hands Annual Meeting 2018, Emeryville, CA, September 10, 2018
- Jonathan Diab, Jennifer Chiniquy, Cindi Hoover, Joel Guenther, Nurgul Kaplan, Garima Goyal, Mark Kulawik, Hector Plahar, Zachary Costello, Brian Bushnell, Samuel Deutsch, and Nathan J. Hillson. "MiSeq DNA Construct Sequence Validation". Invited Poster, ABF All Hands Annual Meeting 2018, Emeryville, CA, September 10, 2018
- Edward E.E.K. Baidoo and Veronica Teixeira Benites. "High throughput analysis of isoprenoid pathway intermediates by HILIC-QTOF-MS". Invited Poster, ABF All Hands Annual Meeting 2018, Emeryville, CA, September 10, 2018.
- Isaac Wolf, Carolina Barcelos, Shawn Chang, Nilufer Oguz, Matt Dorsey, Davinia Salvachua, Robert Nelson, Todd Pray, Eric Sundstrom and Deepti Tanjore. "Harmonization of Fermentation for Production of P. putida-derived Muconic Acid". Invited Poster, ABF All Hands Annual Meeting 2018, Emeryville, CA, September 10, 2018





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- J. Prahl, S. Coradetti, D. Liu, G. Geiselman, T. Pray, J. Gladden, E. Sundstrom, and D. Tanjore. "Insights from Bioreactors make Scale-Down Modeling more Effective". Invited Poster, ABF All Hands Annual Meeting 2018, Emeryville, CA, September 10, 2018
- Garima Goyal, Nurgul Kaplan, Jennifer L. Chiniquy, Jonathan Diab, Joel M. Guenther, Hector A. Plahar, Joanna Chen, Manjiri Tapaswi, Nina Stawski, Lisa Simirenko, Samuel Deutsch, and Nathan J. Hillson. "DIVA (Design Implementation Validation Automation) DNA Construction". Invited Poster, JBEI Annual Meeting 2018, Sonoma, CA, August 20-22, 2018
- William Morrell, Mark Forrer, Garrett Birkel, Traci Lopez, Nathan J Hillson, Hector Garcia Martin. "Collaboration with the Experiment Data Depot". Invited Poster, JBEI Annual Meeting 2018, Sonoma, CA, August 20-22, 2018
- Jonathan Diab, Jennifer Chiniquy, Cindi Hoover, Joel Guenther, Nurgul Kaplan, Garima Goyal, Mark Kulawik, Hector Plahar, Zachary Costello, Brian Bushnell, Samuel Deutsch, and Nathan J. Hillson. "MiSeg DNA Construct Sequence Validation". Invited Poster, JBEI Annual Meeting 2018, Sonoma, CA, August 20-22, 2018
- Sarah A LaFrance, Jacob Coble, Thomas Rich, Hector Plahar, Joshua Nixon, Nathan J. Hillson, "VectorEditor: Freely Open-Source Javascript Webapp for DNA Visualization, Annotation, and Editing". Invited Poster, JBEI Annual Meeting, Monterey, CA, September 13, 2017
- Annabel Large, Nurgul Kaplan, Jennifer Chiniquy, Garima Goyal, and Nathan Hillson. "Expansion and Optimization of DIVA DNA Sequence Validation Services". Invited Poster, JBEI Annual Meeting, Monterey, CA, September 13, 2017
- Garima Goyal, Nurgul Kaplan, Jennifer L. Chiniquy, Joel M. Guenther, Hector A. Plahar, Joanna Chen, Manjiri Tapaswi, Nina Stawski, Lisa Simirenko, Samuel Deutsch, and Nathan J. Hillson. "DIVA (Design Implementation Validation and Automation) DNA Construction". Invited Poster, JBEI Annual Meeting, Monterey, CA, September 13, 2017
- Nurgul Kaplan, Garima Goyal, Jennifer L. Chiniquy, Joel M. Guenther, Hector A. Plahar, Joanna Chen, Manjiri Tapaswi, Nina Stawski, Lisa Simirenko, Samuel Deutsch, and Nathan J. Hillson. "Using DIVA, DeviceEditor, and j5 for DNA Construction". Invited Poster, JBEI Annual Meeting, Monterey, CA, September 13, 2017
- William Morrell, Garrett Birkel, Mark Forrer, Traci Lopez, Nathan J Hillson, Hector Garcia Martin. "The Experiment Data Depot platform". Invited Poster, JBEI Annual Meeting, Monterey, CA, September 13, 2017
- Backman, T.W.H., Eng, C.H., Bailey, C.B., Keasling, J.D., Garcia Martin, H. "Software for polyketide synthase (PKS) design". Invited Poster, JBEI Annual Meeting, Monterey, CA, September 13, 2017
- Garima Goyal, Nurgul Kaplan, Jennifer L. Chiniquy, Joel M. Guenther, Hector A. Plahar, Joanna Chen, Manjiri Tapaswi, Nina Stawski, Lisa Simirenko, Samuel Deutsch, and Nathan J. Hillson. "DIVA (Design Implementation Validation and Automation) DNA Construction". Invited Poster, Agile BioFoundry Annual Meeting, NREL IBRF, Golden, CO, August 28, 2017
- Nurgul Kaplan, Garima Goyal, Jennifer L. Chiniquy, Joel M. Guenther, Hector A. Plahar, Joanna Chen, Manjiri Tapaswi, Nina Stawski, Lisa Simirenko, Samuel Deutsch, and Nathan J. Hillson. "Using DIVA, DeviceEditor, and j5 for DNA Construction". Invited Poster, Agile BioFoundry Annual Meeting, NREL IBRF, Golden, CO, August 28, 2017





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- Jennifer L. Chiniquy, Cindi A. Hoover, Joel M. Guenther, Nurgul Kaplan, Christopher W. Beitel, Samuel Deutsch, and Nathan J. Hillson. "Towards a High-Throughput Low-Cost Automated DNA Sequence Validation Workflow". Invited Poster, Agile BioFoundry Annual Meeting, NREL IBRF, Golden, CO, August 28, 2017
- William Morrell, Garrett Birkel, Mark Forrer, Traci Lopez, Nathan J Hillson, Hector Garcia Martin. "The Experiment Data Depot platform". Invited Poster, Agile BioFoundry Annual Meeting, NREL IBRF, Golden, CO, August 28, 2017
- Hector A. Plahar, Elena Aravina, Oge Nnadi, Joanna Chen, Paul D. Adams, Jay D. Keasling, and Nathan J. Hillson. "ICE: A Distributed and Interconnected Biological Part Registry". Invited Poster, Agile BioFoundry Annual Meeting, NREL IBRF, Golden, CO, August 28, 2017
- Jha, R., Narayanan, N., Johnson, C., Beckham, G., Dale, T. "Whole cell biosensing in Pseudomonas putida KT2440". Invited Poster, Agile BioFoundry Annual Meeting, NREL IBRF, Golden, CO, August 28, 2017
- Pandey N., Krishnamurthy, M., Jha, Ramesh., Hennelly, S., Dale, T. "Riboregulator Development To Increase Metabolic Flux Towards Muconate Production". Invited Poster, Agile BioFoundry Annual Meeting, NREL IBRF, Golden, CO, August 28, 2017
- John Meng, Angela Tarver, Matthew Hamilton, Robert Evans, Lisa Simirenko, Nathan J. Hillson, Jan-Fang Cheng, and Samuel Deutsch. "SynTrack 2: A Scalable DNA Assembly Production Workflow Management". Invited Poster, 2017 Synthetic Biology: Engineering, Evolution & Design (SEED), Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, June 20-23, 2017.
- Sarah A LaFrance, Jacob Coble, Thomas Rich, Hector Plahar, Joshua Nixon, Nathan J. Hillson. "VectorEditor: Freely Open-Source Javascript Webapp for DNA Visualization, Annotation, and Editing". Invited Poster, 2017 Synthetic Biology: Engineering, Evolution & Design (SEED), Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, June 20-23, 2017.
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- Philip C. Gach, Manasi Raje, Nurgul Kaplan, Sangeeta Nath, Samuel Deutsch, Jay D. Keasling, Paul D. Adams, Nathan J. Hillson and Anup K. Singh.
 "A Microfluidic Platform for Combinatorial Gene Assembly, Transformation, Culture and Assay". Invited Poster, 2017 Synthetic Biology: Engineering, Evolution & Design (SEED), Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, June 20-23, 2017.
- Hillson, N.J. "j5 Software Through the Years: Insights from Aggregate Public Usage Metrics". Invited Poster, World Metrology Day Symposium, Stanford, CA, May 22, 2017.
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- Nurgul Kaplan, Garima Goyal, Jennifer L. Chiniquy, Joel M. Guenther, Hector A. Plahar, Joanna Chen, Nina Stawski, Manjiri Tapaswi, Lisa Simirenko, Samuel Deutsch, and Nathan J. Hillson. "DIVA (Design, Implementation, Validation Automation) DNA Construction: Wet-Lab Workflow and Software Platform". Invited Poster, World Metrology Day Symposium, Stanford, CA, May 22, 2017.

